

Letter from Mary A. Lippit to Alexander Graham Bell, December 30, 1872, with transcript

L . Copy of a letter to Professor Bell from Mary A. Lippitt. Professor Bell Dear Sir:

I received from you a letter dated 17th September concerning the private school about to be opened in Boston. I was obliged to you for the information and intended to come soon to Boston to make arrangements for my daughter Jeanie to have a course of private lessons with you.

Sudden family bereavement and the very serious illness of my mother changed all of our plans.

Now, that we had again planned to come down, the prevalence of the small-pox induces us to delay for the present. And I therefore write that you may not feel as if we took no further interest in the matter but hope before a great while Jeanie will be enabled to avail herself of the very great advantages to be derived from your wonderful system of teaching articulation.

Respectfully yours Mary A. Lippitt. Providence Dec. 30th, 1872.